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**37339-040306**

**ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION**

**APRIL 3, 2006  
9:00 A.M.**

**ROOM 159**

**AGENDA**

**Call to Order -- Roll Call (Council Members Dowe and Wishneff  
arrived late.)**

A communication from Mayor C. Nelson Harris requesting that Council convene in a Closed Meeting to discuss vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council, pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(1), Code of Virginia (1950), as amended.

**Approved (5-0)**

**File #132**

Items listed on the 2:00 p.m. Council docket requiring discussion/clarification, and additions/deletions to the 2:00 p.m. agenda. (15 minutes)

Topics for discussion by the Mayor and Members of Council. (15 minutes)

Items for discussion at the joint meeting of Council and the Roanoke City School Board on Monday, May 1, 2006, at 9:00 a.m.

**BRIEFINGS:**

- Code Enforcement Update – 20 minutes
- Police Initiatives – 10 minutes
- 13th Street/Hollins Road Transportation Project Update – 20 minutes
- Martin Luther King Jr. Bridge Update – 15 minutes
- Century Square Update – 15 minutes
- Marketing City Property for Sale – 20 minutes

**Director of Finance:**

- Personal Property Tax Relief – 15 minutes

**THE COUNCIL MET WITH THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AT 12:00 P. M., IN ROOM 159, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING.**



**ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL  
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
JOINT MEETING**

**APRIL 3, 2006  
12:00 P.M.**

**ROOM 159**

**AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER.**
- 2. ROLL CALL:** Industrial Development Authority
- 3. WELCOME.**
- 4. INVOCATION AND LUNCH.**
- 5. DISCUSSION ITEM:**
  - a. Annual report of the Industrial Development Authority. Dennis R. Cronk, Chair.  
**File #109-207**
- 6. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL/INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEMBERS.**

**THE COUNCIL MEETING WAS DECLARED IN RECESS TO BE IMMEDIATELY RECONVENED FOR CONTINUATION OF THE 9:00 A. M. BRIEFINGS.**

**THE MEETING OF THE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY WAS ADJOURNED.**

## **Certification of Closed Session (7 – 0)**

**Appointed Evelyn W. Manetta to fill the unexpired term of James C. Hale as a member of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, ending March 31, 2009.**

**File #15-67-110**

**Appointed Krista Blakeney to fill the unexpired term of Rich G. McGimsey as a member of the Fair Housing Board, ending March 31, 2007.**

**File #15-110-178**

**The following persons will be interviewed by the Council for vacancies on the Roanoke City School Board:**

**Jason E. Bingham, Jay Foster, Alice P. Hincker, Mae G. Huff, Randy L. Leftwich, Todd A. Putney, James P. Beatty, Caren D. Boisseau, and Mark S. Lucas.**

**File #110-467**



**ROANOKE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION**

**APRIL 3, 2006  
2:00 P.M.**

**CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER**

**AGENDA**

- 1. Call to Order--Roll Call. (Council Member McDaniel was absent.)**

The Invocation was delivered by Council Member Alfred T. Dowe, Jr.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America was led by Mayor C. Nelson Harris.

Welcome. Mayor Harris.

**NOTICE:**

Today's Council meeting will be replayed on Channel 3 on Thursday, April 6, 2006, at 7:00 p.m., and Saturday, April 8, 2006, at 4:00 p.m. Council meetings are offered with closed captioning for the hearing impaired.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

THE PUBLIC IS ADVISED THAT MEMBERS OF COUNCIL RECEIVE THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA AND RELATED COMMUNICATIONS, REPORTS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS, ETC., ON THE WEDNESDAY PRIOR TO THE COUNCIL MEETING TO PROVIDE SUFFICIENT TIME FOR REVIEW OF INFORMATION. CITIZENS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN OBTAINING A COPY OF ANY ITEM LISTED ON THE AGENDA MAY CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, ROOM 456, NOEL C. TAYLOR MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 215 CHURCH AVENUE, S. W., OR CALL 853-2541.

THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE PROVIDES THE MAJORITY OF THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ON THE INTERNET FOR VIEWING AND RESEARCH PURPOSES. TO ACCESS AGENDA MATERIAL, GO TO THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT [WWW.ROANOKEVA.GOV](http://WWW.ROANOKEVA.GOV), CLICK ON THE SERVICE ICON, CLICK ON COUNCIL AGENDAS TO ACCESS THE APPROPRIATE AGENDA AND COUNCIL MEETING. IF ADOBE ACROBAT IS NOT AVAILABLE, A PROMPT WILL APPEAR TO DOWNLOAD PRIOR TO VIEWING AGENDA INFORMATION.

ALL PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL ARE REQUESTED TO REGISTER WITH THE STAFF ASSISTANT WHO IS LOCATED AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE COUNCIL CHAMBER. ON THE SAME AGENDA ITEM, ONE TO FOUR SPEAKERS WILL BE ALLOTTED FIVE MINUTES EACH, HOWEVER, IF THERE ARE MORE THAN FOUR SPEAKERS, EACH SPEAKER WILL BE ALLOTTED THREE MINUTES.

ANY PERSON WHO IS INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A CITY COUNCIL APPOINTED AUTHORITY, BOARD, COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE IS REQUESTED TO CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 853-2541, OR ACCESS THE CITY'S HOMEPAGE AT [WWW.ROANOKEVA.GOV](http://WWW.ROANOKEVA.GOV), TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION.

## **2. PRESENTATIONS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:**

A Resolution memorializing the late Margaret "Fran" Cox Fulford, former City employee.

**Adopted Resolution No. 37339-040306. (6-0)**

**File #184-367**

A Resolution congratulating the Roanoke Catholic High School Boys Basketball Team, winners of the Virginia Independent School Division II State Basketball Championship.

**Adopted Resolution No. 37340-040306. (6-0)**

**File #80-467**

Proclamation declaring the month of April 2006 as Fair Housing Month.

**File #3-178**

Proclamation declaring the week of April 9 - 15, 2006, as National Public Safety Telecommunicator's Week.

**File #3-262**

3. **CONSENT AGENDA**  
**Approved (6-0)**

ALL MATTERS LISTED UNDER THE CONSENT AGENDA ARE CONSIDERED TO BE ROUTINE BY THE MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THE ITEMS. IF DISCUSSION IS DESIRED, THE ITEM WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA AND CONSIDERED SEPARATELY.

- C-1 Minutes of the regular meeting of Council held on Tuesday, February 21, 2006, and recessed until Friday, March 3, 2006.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve as recorded.**

- C-2 A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council schedule a public hearing for Monday, April 17, 2006, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on a request of Straight Street Roanoke Valley, Inc., a non-profit organization, for tax exempt status of property located at 333 Luck Avenue, S. W.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concur in the request.**

**File #79**

- C-3        A communication from the City Manager requesting that Council schedule a public hearing for Monday, April 17, 2006, at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on a request of Blue Ridge Gospel Outreach, Inc., a non-profit organization, for tax exempt status of property located at 9 Salem Avenue, S. W.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Concur in the request.**

**File #79**

- C-4        Qualification of the following persons:

John E. Dooley as a member of the Roanoke Regional Airport Commission, for a term ending March 9, 2010;

Carl H. Kopitzke and Mary F. Monk as members of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, for a term ending March 31, 2009; and

Quentin J. White as a member of the Human Services Advisory Board, to fill the unexpired term of Corinne B. Gott, ending September 30, 2008.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive and file.**

**File #9-67-110-318**

## **REGULAR AGENDA**

### **4. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- a.        Encroachment of a gas meter approximately 12 inches into the property line of Century Square Park, located at 16 Church Avenue, S. E. Darlene L. Burcham, City Manager.

**Adopted Ordinance No. 37341-040306. (6-0)**

**File #28-458**

### **5. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

- a        Request of Yellow Cab Company to present a revised petition for taxicab rate increase. William Roberts, President, Spokesperson. (Sponsored by the City Manager.)

**Referred to the City Manager for report and recommendation to Council.**

**File #47**



- b. Update with regard to programs and funds to sustain operations of Explore Park. Debbie Pitts, Executive Director, Virginia Recreational Facilities Authority, Spokesperson. (Sponsored by Vice-Mayor Beverly T. Fitzpatrick, Jr., and Council Member M. Rupert Cutler.)  
**Referred to the City Manager for report and recommendation to Council.**  
**File #60-365**
- c. Request of the Roanoke Regional Airport Commission to present the proposed 2006-2007 Operating Budget and Proposed Capital Expenditures. Jacqueline L. Shuck, Executive Director, Spokesperson. (Sponsored by the City Manager.)  
**Adopted Resolution No. 37342-040306. (6-0)**  
**File #9-60**
- d. Request of the Roanoke Valley Resource Authority to present the proposed 2006-2007 Annual Budget. Steven R. Barger, Operations Manager, Spokesperson. (Sponsored by the City Manager.)  
**Adopted Resolution No. 37343-040306. (6-0)**  
**File #60-253**

## **6. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

- a. CITY MANAGER:

BRIEFINGS: NONE.

ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR ACTION:

- 1. Acceptance of Western Virginia Workforce Development Board Workforce Investment Act Program, funds in the amount of \$159,000.00; and transfer of funds.  
**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 37344-040306 and Resolution No. 37345-040306. (6-0)**  
**File #60-72-236-246**

2. Acceptance of Virginia Opportunity Regions Marketing Grant funds, in the amount of \$10,000.00, from the Virginia Economic Development Partnership; and appropriation of funds.  
**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 37346-040306 and Resolution No. 37347-040306. (6-0)**  
**File #60-236-450**
3. Adoption of a resolution authorizing City representatives to begin the application process for re-certification as a crime prevention community.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 37348-040306. (6-0)**  
**File #5-236**
4. Adoption of a resolution endorsing the City's participation in the Virginia Juvenile Community Crime Control Act.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 37349-040306. (6-0)**  
**File #60-236-304**
5. Amendment of the City Code to repeal Chapter 27.1, Article II, Temporary Signs; and to reference zoning regulations and zoning districts consistent with terminology and section numbers used in Chapter 36.2, Zoning.  
**Adopted Ordinance No. 37350-040306. (6-0)**  
**File #24-51-107**
6. Authorization to establish a new position of Arts Festival Director, effective May 1, 2006; and transfer of funds.  
**Adopted Budget Ordinance No. 37351-040306. (6-0)**  
**File #60-80-184**
7. Authorization for Blue Ridge Behavioral Healthcare to act as its own fiscal agent.  
**Adopted Resolution No. 37352-040306. (6-0)**  
**File #314**

8. Authorization to rename City-owned and/or controlled parking facilities.

**Adopted Resolution No. 37353-040306. (6-0)**

**Council Member Wishneff requested that the naming of a City facility in memory of the late restaurateur Al Pollard be referred to the City Manager and the City Planning Commission (subcommittee) for study, report and recommendation to Council.**

**File #166**

9. Authorization to file a Petition to Amend Proffered Conditions on City-owned property located at the northeast corner of Blue Hills Drive and Orange Avenue, N. E., identified as Official Tax No. 7160113.

**Adopted Resolution No. 37354-040306. (6-0)**

**File #51-166**

b. CITY ATTORNEY:

1. Amendment and reenactment of Ordinance No. 36945-011805, vacating, discontinuing and closing a 15 foot alley running between Whitmore Avenue and Reserve Avenue, S. W., and parallel to S. Jefferson Street.

**Adopted Ordinance No. 37355-040306. (6-0)**

**File #514**

c. DIRECTOR OF FINANCE:

1. Authorization to issue up to \$42.5 million in refunding bonds for Series 1997B and 2002A.

**Adopted Resolution No. 37356-040306. (6-0)**

**File #53**

2. Adoption of a resolution establishing the percentage reduction for personal property tax relief at 66.19 per cent for the 2006 tax year.

**Adopted Resolution No. 37357-040306. (6-0)**

**File #79**

3. Financial report for the month of February 2006.  
**Received and filed.**  
**File #10**

**7. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES: NONE.**

**8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: NONE.**

**9. INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCES  
AND RESOLUTIONS: NONE.**

**10. MOTIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:**

- a. Inquiries and/or comments by the Mayor and Members of City Council.
- b. Vacancies on certain authorities, boards, commissions and committees appointed by Council.

**11. HEARING OF CITIZENS UPON PUBLIC MATTERS:**

CITY COUNCIL SETS THIS TIME AS A PRIORITY FOR CITIZENS TO BE HEARD. MATTERS REQUIRING REFERRAL TO THE CITY MANAGER WILL BE REFERRED IMMEDIATELY FOR RESPONSE, RECOMMENDATION OR REPORT TO COUNCIL.

Ms. Zoe Stennett, 2531 Peters Creek Road, N. W., spoke with regard to bias in reporting by *The Roanoke Times* and a salary increase for the City's public safety employees.  
**File #5-70-227**

Mr. James Polk, 2610 Rugby Boulevard, N. W., requested funding assistance by the City to establish a youth sports center. (Referred to the City Manager for report.)  
**File #304-388**

Mr. Bob Richert, 415 Allison Avenue, S. W., spoke in support of code enforcement initiatives to be implemented on July 1, 2006, and the need for a better complaint tracking system.  
File #66-549

## **12. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:**

The City Manager advised that on April 1, traditional clean up activities commenced in the City of Roanoke, and encouraged citizens to use the services of the City's Solid Waste Management Department to make the community as clean as possible.  
File #144-265

The City Manager advised that the 42nd anniversary of Roanoke Valley Sister Cities was celebrated on Saturday, April 1, 2006, at Roanoke College.  
File #327

The City Manager encouraged citizens of the Roanoke Valley to support the Roanoke Dazzle basketball team and the Roanoke Valley Vipers hockey team through the purchase of season tickets.  
File #192-388